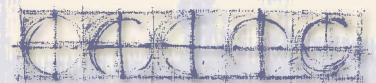




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Fellow Law Foundation Members and Friends:

This is the time of year when the Idaho Law Foundation reflects on the past year and determines directions for the year to come. As I look back over my first year serving as the Law Foundation's President, I'm impressed with what we have accomplished and challenged by the continuing need to adequately fund and carry out our mission. Due, in great part, to the very capable staff of the Idaho Law Foundation, our programs continue to serve the members of the Bar and the citizens of Idaho. Here are a few highlights.

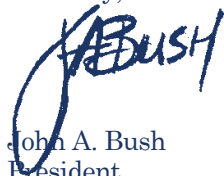
- Under the leadership of Becky Jensen, the Law Related Education Program organized another successful Mock Trial for 500 students, teachers, attorneys, judges, and other community members. She also provided training and support for 80 attorney/teacher partners as they conducted four teach-in days for the Lawyers in the Classroom Project, providing instruction for nearly 500 Idaho students at all grade levels.
- Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program hired Mary Hobson, a long time Boise attorney, to serve as Legal Director of IVLP. Mary and Carol Craighill, IVLP's Program Director, provided support and assistance to meet the legal needs of Idaho's most disadvantaged citizens. For 2005, the market value of services donated and cases closed for IVLP clients equals over \$1.6 million and 16,269 volunteer hours (including almost 200 cases, closed but not reported in previous years).
- The Foundation hired Terri Muse to serve as Director of Legal Education. In the time that's she's been here, she's helped coordinate nearly 20 continuing legal education sessions and organized her first annual meeting.
- Barbara Anderson guided the IOLTA program, working with banks and her committee to help grant \$210,000, an increase of \$60,000 over last year's grants.

These are wonderful accomplishments. But, even with all this work, we still need your help. I continue to ask: What will you do to help the Law Foundation in our efforts to serve the citizens of Idaho on your behalf?

The Idaho Law Foundation offers many avenues for involvement. You can volunteer to serve on a committee, participate in a teach-in day, or take on a pro bono case. Whatever you choose to do, Law Foundation staff is there to support you. Of course, the Idaho Law Foundation also relies on the charitable contributions of Idaho's attorneys and I encourage you to continue giving at a level meaningful to you.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you for both your past and future support of the Idaho Law Foundation. As you read the pages that follow you will be reminded of the impressive and important work the Idaho Law Foundation carries out every day for the people of Idaho.

Sincerely,



John A. Bush
President
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Our MISSION

The Idaho Law Foundation supports the right of all people to live in a peaceful community. Our mission is to educate all people about the role of law in a democratic society, to provide opportunities for people to avoid and resolve conflicts, and to enhance the education and competence of lawyers.

Our GOALS

- Enhancing public understanding of and respect for the law and the legal system
- Providing and improving access to legal services
- Providing programs and services that enhance the competency of members of the Bar
- Aiding in the advancement of the administration of justice
- Generating the necessary funding to fulfill the mission and goals of the organization
- Maintaining effective administration and management of the foundation's resources



Idaho Volunteer LAWYERS PROGRAM

*Providing advice, consultation, and case representation
for Idaho's most vulnerable families.*

In 1982, the Board of Commissioners of the Idaho State Bar established IVLP as Idaho's first pro bono legal service program. For nearly 25 years, IVLP has organized private attorneys across the state of Idaho to provide legal services to Idaho's poor and disadvantaged citizens.

The small but dedicated staff of IVLP handles all the details of managing this successful pro bono program. They take the time to interview each caller to decide upon the appropriate course of action. Once they determine eligibility and case-type, IVLP staff conducts a thorough intake and investigation procedure and refers each case to the appropriate volunteer attorney or provides brief legal services.

IVLP fields hundreds of calls from across the state of Idaho each month from those who cannot afford the legal representation they deserve to protect their rights. In May 2006 alone, IVLP handled 283 calls for assistance with 108 callers eligible to receive assistance. If you count household totals, 321 low-income Idahoans received legal assistance during this one-month period. And, even if a caller is not eligible for legal assistance, IVLP staff has an extensive list of community resources to which they will refer the caller.

IVLP offers assistance through other avenues as well. For more than seven years, IVLP has worked in conjunction with the Idaho Supreme Court to provide a one-stop shop within Idaho courthouses for those who need legal assistance. Through participation in the Court assistance Office, IVLP has created a comprehensive directory of legal services and provided support for attorneys who work through the CAO. Other ways IVLP helps our communities include:

- Sponsoring over 200 hours of legal advice and consultation clinics at senior citizen centers in Boise, Idaho Falls, Meridian, Mountain Home, Payette and the St. Vincent DePaul Center in Coeur d'Alene
- Recruiting and tracking hours for attorneys who provided 77 volunteer hours mentoring student prosecutors and defenders in Idaho Youth Court sessions
- Spending 91 hours working with Volunteer Attorney of the Day who consulted with staff and applicants to help IVLP determine and deliver appropriate legal services
- Assisting 5 non-profit organizations across Idaho who help low-income, elderly, and disabled citizens
- Collaborating with CASA programs to close 501 cases that insured Idaho's abused children and Guardian ad Litem volunteers have a voice in court
- Partnering with the US Court, District of Idaho Pro se and Pro Bono Programs to recruit and support volunteer attorneys representing prisoners in appeals-level civil rights cases

2005 Accomplishments

- Served over 1,000 low-income Idahoans who received some kind of legal help or representation
- Supported volunteer attorneys who conducted workshops, gave legal advice, and reported closing 608 cases from Bonner's Ferry to Montpelier
- Protected hundreds of abused and neglected children and families through collaboration with many legal and community organizations such as crisis centers and shelters; domestic violence is a factor in 40% of IVLP case and 19.5% represents Child Protective Act cases
- The market value of services donated and cases closed for IVLP clients equals over \$1.6 million and 16,269 volunteer hours (including almost 200 cases, closed but not reported in previous years).

2006 Goals

- Partnering with law firms and legal departments to facilitate communication with the IVLP for placing high priority cases and new case types
- Working statewide with magistrate judges, the Idaho Supreme Court, and the Court Assistance Office Project to increase the number of attorneys who volunteer in family law cases
- Increasing the numbers of low-income applicants who receive full representation for their civil legal cases
- Targeting potential situations for mediation and increasing the number of cases referred to volunteer attorney mediators
- Recruiting more attorneys to serve as Guardians ad Litem for cases involving guardianships
- Engaging more attorneys to represent incarcerated persons in appeals-level individual rights cases

A Stellar Volunteer

Wes Wilhite, a sole practitioner in Caldwell, represented the mother of a 10-year-old girl who returned from a visit with her father and reported that her 13-year-old stepbrother had inappropriately touched her.

The mother reported the incident to Child Protection Services and filed for a protection order to temporarily stop visitation. While the court did issue a temporary protection order requiring the stepson not be present during visitation, the mother worried that when the temporary order expired the father would once again allow the presence of the stepson during her daughter's visits. That's when IVLP stepped in. IVLP recruited Wes Wilhite to seek a permanent modification of the custody order, limiting visitation and requiring that the stepson never be present during the girl's visitation. Mr. Wilhite spent over 80 hours on this case, ensuring the safety of a child and alleviating the worry of concerned parent.



Law Related EDUCATION

Enhancing public understanding of the legal system.

Law Related Education began in 1985 as a public service program of the Foundation. Idaho's LRE serves as part of a national program that began in 1978 when Congress passed the Law Related Education Act.

Through Law Related Education, ILF provides educational options for Idaho's youth to become informed, participating citizens in their communities. LRE offers students opportunities to prepare and present legal cases and brings attorneys together with teachers to educate young people about the role of law in a democratic society. LRE fosters:

- Increased knowledge of citizenship responsibilities and rights
- A better understanding of our legal system and court procedures
- Positive communication between young people and the legal community

Mock Trial

LRE reaches young people directly through the annual Mock Trial Competition that helps students gain important knowledge and skills as they work to prepare and present both sides of a court case. Every year more than 500 students, teachers, attorneys, judges, and other community members participate.

This year 36 teams from 26 schools competed in four regional competitions held in Coeur d'Alene, Boise, Twin Falls, and Idaho Falls. The regional winners traveled to Boise in March for the state competition, won this year by Logos Secondary School from Moscow. Logos then traveled to Oklahoma City for the National Mock Trial Competition, earning a 9th place finish, the best finish ever for an Idaho team.



Lawyers in the Classroom

Idaho's students also benefit from LRE's Lawyers in the Classroom: Partners in Education project that connects legal and education professionals to help students understand civic and law-related content. LRE provides lesson plans and materials on a variety of topics for all grade levels of students and sponsors professional development for teachers and attorneys to foster successful partnerships that improve student learning at all levels.

This year LRE sponsored four teach-in days. On these days, lawyers taught in classrooms throughout the state. Teachers offered high praise for this service provided by LRE and local lawyers. "My lawyers partnered engaged every one of my students in her lessons. She was wonderful," said one teacher from Eastern Idaho.

Teacher Resources

LRE offers a wealth of information to support teachers in educating students on legal topics. In October, LRE co-sponsored a statewide conference with the Idaho Council for History Education and other social studies partner organizations. LRE funds paid to bring Lee Arbetman to the conference. Mr. Arbetman is an attorney, co-author of the practical law text used by Idaho teachers, and director of U.S. Programs for Street Law, Inc. He presented workshops on The Definition of a Crime, Federalism and the Commerce Clause, Student Drug Testing and the Fourth Amendment, and A Preview of the 2005-2006 Supreme Court term.

2005 Accomplishments

- Provided engaging law-related instruction for 500 Idaho students at all grade levels
- Sent the Mock Trial state champions, Logos Secondary School, to the National Mock Trial Competition in Oklahoma City where they became the first Idaho team to break into the top ten by placing ninth
- Conducted training for 60 lawyers and supported lawyers and teachers for four teach-in weeks during the 2005-2006 school year.
- Sponsored a dynamic national LRE trainer who reached 100 teachers at the statewide history and social sciences conference.
- Organized a successful Controversy and the Constitution workshop in Idaho Falls to prepare teachers for appropriate discussion of controversial current issues in their classrooms.

2006 Goals

- Maintaining a successful Mock Trial Competition
- Sponsoring four Lawyers in the Classroom event days during the 2006 - 2007 school year

Molding Young Minds

Until she partnered with Juliette Noonan at Parkside Reading School, Boise lawyer Susan Hamlin Nygard didn't realize the challenge she would face to teach a group of kindergarten students about rules and government. Ms. Hamlin volunteered for Lawyers in the Classroom because she wanted young people to understand how our government works and why we need rules and laws.

For her culminating lesson she held a mock election in which the kindergarten students voted for their class mascot from a very qualified slate of stuffed animals. She made private polling booths out of cardboard and each student independently voted for his or her class mascot choice. She then counted the ballots to find the winner. This led to a great discussion about how this related to adults voting in real elections. The fact that winning mascot only won by only two votes helped emphasize the importance of every vote.

Ms. Hamlin Nygard discussed the lawyer skills she had practiced and refined during her time in the classroom. "This was a good opportunity to focus on the basics of law. Most lawyers work with lay people who don't understand legal intricacies. I learned how to take complex ideas and communicate them to a new audience."



Idaho Law FOUNDATION, INC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION December 31, 2005

ASSETS	General Fund	IOLTA Fund	Endowment Fund	Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash in bank	\$248,379	\$429,722	\$14,983	\$25,037
Investments			199,321	
Accounts receivable	174	37,131		20,000
Interest receivable			1,877	
Grants receivable	3,953			
Due from affiliated organizations	34,107			
Inventory at lower of cost or market	160			
Prepaid expenses	5,498			1,674
Total current assets	292,271	466,853	216,181	46,711
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT				
Land	300,350			
Building and improvements	1,174,358			
Equipment	445			
	1,475,153			
Less accumulated depreciation	(346,007)			
	1,129,146			
OTHER ASSETS				
Loan fees, net of amortization	287			
Total assets	\$1,421,704	\$466,853	\$216,181	\$46,711
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Current portion of long-term debt	\$44,521			
Due to affiliated organizations	9,276	\$18,056		\$28,673
Due to Idaho Partners for Justice	54,952			
Accounts payable	7,987			
Accrued expenses	682			
Deferred revenue	2,805			
Total current liabilities	120,223	18,056		28,673
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES				
Long-term debt, net of current portion	441,473			
Total liabilities	561,696	18,056		28,673
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted				
Designated by the Board for grant payments		217,201		
Designated by the Board for specific purposes	45,502	231,596		
Endowment fund designated by the Board			216,181	
Undesignated – available for general activities	814,506			18,038
Total net assets	860,008	448,797	216,181	18,038
Total liabilities and net assets	\$1,421,704	\$466,853	\$216,181	\$46,711

Note: The Idaho Law Foundation financial records are audited annually by an independent auditor.
The completed audited financial statements are on file at the Idaho law Foundation office.

Idaho Law FOUNDATION, INC.

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005				2006			
	General Fund	IOLTA Fund	Endowment Fund	Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program	General Fund	IOLTA Fund	Endowment Fund	Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS REVENUE AND SUPPORT:								
Continuing legal education fees	\$65,210				\$77,725			
Sponsor and exhibitor fees	2,000				2,000			
Publication sales and video rentals	43,682				38,047			
Rental income	133,935				128,768			
Contributions	43,881		\$1,350	\$55,511	47,561		2,500	59,875
Donated services and property				669,373				601,078
IOLTA		332,090				194,717		
Guardian Ad Litem admin. fees	30,000				30,000			
Interest income	2,132	1,167	9,030		794	748	8,782	
Other	3,395			1,300	2,998			658
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments			(3,690)				(2,636)	
Gain (loss) on sale of investments			(172)					
Net assets released from restrictions through satisfaction of program requirements	33,896			116,920	38,276			145,020
	358,131	333,257	6,518	843,104	366,169	195,465	8,646	806,631
EXPENSES:								
Program services:								
Continuing legal education:								
Instruction	2,471				3,596			
Course materials	6,768				14,136			
Other	75,498				71,769			
	84,737				89,501			
Scholarship/Grants/Contributions		153,573				179,457		
IOLTA administration	(29,888)	29,888			(17,525)	17,525		
Total program services	54,849	183,461			71,976	196,982		
General operating expenses, including depreciation expense of 2005-\$29,470, 2004-\$29,515	275,063			861,698	253,398			800,906
Non-grant disbursements		34,426				32,512		
	329,912	217,887		861,698	325,374	229,494		800,906
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	28,219	115,370	6,518	(18,594)	40,795	(34,029)	8,646	5,725
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS								
Grant income	31,500			116,920	35,880			145,020
Net assets released from restrictions	(33,896)			(116,920)	(38,276)			(145,020)
Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets	(2,396)				(2,396)			
Increase (decrease) in net assets	25,823	115,370	6,518	(18,594)	38,399	(34,029)	8,646	5,725
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	834,185	333,427	209,663	36,632	800,284	367,456	201,017	30,907
Fund transfer for property improvements					(4,498)			
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$860,008	\$448,797	\$216,181	\$18,038	\$834,185	\$333,427	\$209,663	\$36,632

Continuing LEGAL EDUCATION

Providing programs and services that enhance the competency of members of the Bar.

Continuing Legal Education sponsors substantive and timely educational programs that help lawyers remain current on developing legal trends. CLE provides in-person and seminars in all parts of Idaho and offers a wide range of publications for purchase and videos for rental.

Last year, the Idaho Law Foundation sponsored 66 hours of continuing legal education attended by 700 attorneys across the state of Idaho. This includes standout seminars that helped attorneys meet practical requirements. For example, ILF offered a two-part CLE called Legislating, Lobbying and all that Jazz. This seminar series promoted attorney understand of legislative history as they learned how to actively participate in the legislative process.

2005 Accomplishments

- Sponsored 56 live seminars (21 ILF and 35 practice section)
- Welcomed 2355 attendees to live seminars
- Conducted 224 on-line transactions
- Rented 797 videotapes, audio tapes, and DVDs
- Provided 94 credit hours for practice section sponsored CLEs
- Offered 30 credit hours at the 2005 Annual Meeting
- Revamped the Practical Skills seminar to be more inviting for reciprocal attorneys

2006 Goals

- Planning 13 CLE programs for the 2006 Annual Meeting
- Continuing with the successful program model First or Next series, Headline News, Ethics Series, and the twice annual Practical Skills seminar for new and reciprocal attorneys
- Launching a new series entitled Lessons from the Masters in which Idaho “living legend” attorneys share their wisdom and advice as they talk about significant cases from their legal careers

From the Fall 2005 3-part series “Legislating, Lobbying and all that Jazz”:

“This series has been phenomenal. Every minute of all three CLEs was fascinating, useful and worthwhile. More please!”



From the Feb. 2005

“Preparing your first or next Workers Compensation Case:

“I thought overall that this was an excellent CLE, one of the best I’ve been to. Thank you!”

Guardian ad Litem PROGRAMS

Administering a framework for children's safety

In Idaho, regional Guardian ad Litem programs train and coordinate Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers in each of the seven judicial districts. According to program reports, CASA volunteers served 3,420 children during 2005-2006 and spent approximately 299,000 volunteer hours advocating for children. In addition, volunteer attorneys donated over 116,500 hours to represent the volunteer guardians ad litem.

Every year, the Idaho State Legislature appropriates Guardian ad Litem funding for which, at the request of the Idaho Supreme Court, the Idaho Law Foundation acts as administrator of grants. For 2005-2006, The Law Foundation distributed a total of \$400,900.

Legal RESOURCE LINE

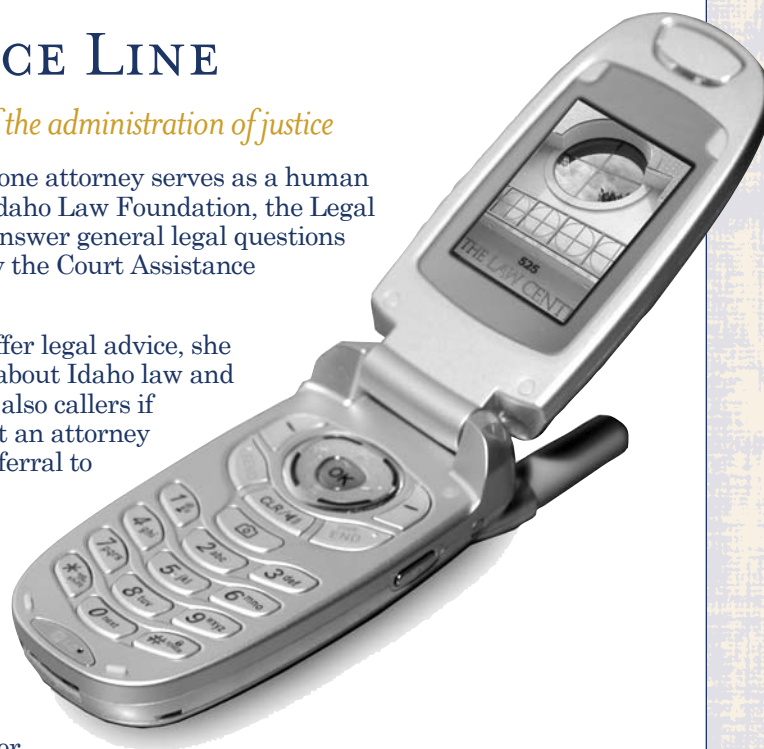
Aiding in the advancement of the administration of justice

For several hours each week, one attorney serves as a human legal dictionary. Part of the Idaho Law Foundation, the Legal Resource Line exists to help answer general legal questions for Idaho's citizens referred by the Court Assistance Program or the Courts.

While the attorney does not offer legal advice, she supplies general information about Idaho law and legal procedures. She will tell also callers if she thinks they should consult an attorney and will provide them with referral to further legal assistance.

Callers often express their gratitude that someone can furnish them with legal explanations. For example, a mother recently called who was splitting up with her child's father. The parents were never married and were prepared to come to an amicable agreement about child custody and visitation but had no money for a lawyer. She wanted to write up their agreement and have it notarized. The lawyer was able to help her understand how she and the father could obtain an enforceable court order by obtaining the forms from the Court Assistance Office and proceeding as pro se litigants. The mother was very relieved to find she could obtain a court order and not have to rely on makeshift arrangements.

Thanks to the Idaho Law foundation's legal Resource Line, the people of Idaho have a knowledgeable person who can help them translate the language of the law into something a layperson can understand.



Interest on LAWYERS TRUST ACCOUNTS

Investing in Idaho communities.

Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts (IOLTA) permits attorneys to place client funds into interest-bearing accounts. Banks then remit the IOLTA interest to ILF who distributes these funds to serve the public. This allows ILF to commit IOLTA funds to increasing exposure to the legal system and access to legal services. With one of the nation's highest IOLTA participation rates, Idaho's IOLTA program has awarded over \$4,000,000 in its 20-year history.

Banks play an important role in the IOLTA grant program. Many of IOLTA's partner banks have chosen to waive fees on IOLTA accounts and have applied interest rates reserved for preferred accounts. To thank these banks for their participation, ILF created the IOLTA Honor Roll. In 2005, the following banks were included on the honor roll:

- Bankeda
- Farmers & Merchants State Bank
- Farmers National Bank
- Inland Northwest Bank
- Ireland Bank
- Key Bank
- US Bank
- Wells Fargo
- Zions Bank

Award List

In 2006, IOLTA awarded a total of \$223,400 to the following programs:

Ada County Guardianship Monitoring Program:	\$700
Idaho Law Foundation Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program:	\$65,300
Idaho Law Foundation Law Related Education Program:	\$25,000
Idaho Law Foundation Legal Resource Line:	\$4,400
Idaho Legal Aid Services Domestic Violence Project:	\$106,000
Idaho Legal History Society Haywood Trial Project:	\$14,000
Idaho State 4-H Office Know Your Government Conference:	\$500
Idaho YMCA Youth Government Program:	\$1,500
Second Judicial District CASA Program:	\$2,000
University of Idaho College of Law Scholarship Program:	\$4,000



IOLTA Funds Citizenship Education for Youth

IOLTA funds support scholarships for youth to attend the annual 4-H Know Your Government Conference. Thanks in part to IOLTA funds, over 160 8th and 9th grade students from across the state of Idaho attended a two-day conference in Boise to learn about the Idaho Legislature, the judicial system, and how state government works. Jason, one of this year's participants, reported that having the opportunity to work as a lobbyist during the conference really helped him learn about how our government works and how important it is to be a part of a democracy.

Fund DEVELOPMENT

Helping the profession serve the public

The Foundation's staff and Fund Development Committee work hard to ensure the financial strength of the Foundation now and well into the future. Their job is to increase donations and ensure the availability of funds for the Law Foundation's important programs.

Thanks, in part, to their efforts, the Law Foundation brought in a total of \$102,857.70 from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 from over 700 contributors. These contributions include donations from both individuals and organizations of both cash and in-kind goods and services. The donations were applied to the following areas:

- General Fund: \$38,293.79
- Endowment Fund: \$5250
- Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$56,198.91
- Law Related Education: \$975
- Continuing Legal Education: \$2140

Additionally, the Foundation received grants for Law Related Education and Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program totaling \$183,216.32 from the following organizations:

- Albertsons Community Partners Program
- Department. of Justice
- Idaho Legal Aid Services
- Interest on Lawyers Trust Accounts
- Magistrate's Association
- New Belgium Brewing Company
- Walter & Leona Dufresne Fund in the Idaho Community Foundation
- Youth for Justice

2006 Goals

During 2006, the Fund Development Department has set the following goals:

- Increase General Fund donations to \$50,000
- Finalize planning for the upcoming endowment campaign
- Create structures for a planned giving program
- Cultivate more grant funding opportunities

For more information about Foundation opportunities, contact Carey Shoufler, Fund Development Manager, at (208) 334-4500.



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The Board of Directors and the Fund Development Committee of the Idaho Law Foundation would like to thank our donors. We encourage all Idaho attorneys to consider a donation to the foundation that helps your profession serve the public. We depend on you for our continued growth and success.

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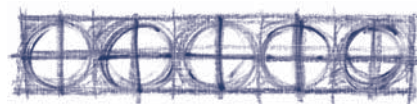
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